

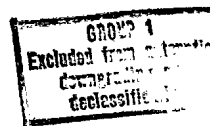
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
THROUGH: Deputy Director (Intelligence)  
SUBJECT: Participation and Assignment of DOD  
Personnel Within NPIC Structure

1. This memorandum suggests action on the part of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such action is requested in paragraph 4.

2. Attached is a proposed letter from the Director to the Secretary of Defense on the above subject. Dispatch of this letter at this time is considered desirable in order to establish as a matter of record certain principles involving funding and personnel participation at NPIC and to obtain concurrence in certain organizational changes. There is no previous formal correspondence pertaining to many of the problems involved.

3. A major feature of the letter is a proposal to reorganize the photo interpretation effort at NPIC by placing in one division under normal line control all PI's assigned to national project work, rather than following the current procedure of forming ad hoc PI teams from departmental pools. Informal comments indicate that the Military Services may not concur in this portion of the letter, since it lessens their control and utilization of Service PI's assigned to NPIC. If they do not desire to concur, the management problems resulting from continuing on the current basis are not so serious as to warrant creating a major issue or taking unilateral action to reorganize on the proposed basis under the authority of NSCID No. 8. However, we must find out how far they are willing to go towards centralization and, if the proposal is not acceptable, we should so determine in order that we may investigate other organizational solutions for improving the management of the photo interpretation effort.



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4. It is recommended that you sign and forward the attached letter.

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National Photographic Interpretation Center**

**Enclosure:**

**Proposed Letter to Secretary  
of Defense**

cc: DDCI

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